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PIN 17-12-ASC

TO: ADULT AND SENIOR CARE FACILITY LICENSEES

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SUBJECT: **PREVENTING HEPATITIS A VIRUS IN YOUR FACILITIES: LIMITED
ADULT VACCINE SUPPLY FORECAST FOR FALL, 2017.**

Provider Information Notice (PIN) Summary

PIN 17-12-ASC provides guidance to adult and senior care facility licensees regarding the limited adult hepatitis A vaccine supply forecast for Fall, 2017.

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has released the following clinical advisory: [Hepatitis A Outbreak in California – Limited Adult Vaccine Supply Forecast for Fall, 2017](#).

The outbreak in California and other states has created an increased need for the adult hepatitis A vaccine. Due to this, the supplies for the adult immunization for the last quarter of 2017 have become constrained and the vaccine allocation to the counties needs to be prioritized.

The CDPH advisory provides the following information:

- Recommend for whom the hepatitis A vaccines should be prioritized.
- Contacting your [local health department](#) regarding immunization recommendations.
- Following your local health department's recommendations as to which groups are routinely recommended to receive the vaccine.
- If the vaccine is not available, what steps to take next.

- All children are recommended to receive the hepatitis A vaccine and the pediatric vaccine supplies are not constrained.
- A directive to health care providers to report a suspected hepatitis A infection to the Local health department.
- CDPH indicates that to date, there is no increased risk of the hepatitis A infection for the general population.

If there is a discovery of a hepatitis A virus diagnosis, the licensee is required to submit an Unusual Incident/Injury Report (you may utilize [LIC 624](#) form to do so) to the Community Care Licensing Division.

If you have any questions, please contact your local Regional Office.